

CLEAN BILL GIVEN BY JAS. R. GARFIELD

He Could Find No Illegal Practices by Steel Corporation.

WITNESS FOR DEFENSE

Gives His Sanction to Famous Merger Which Is Permitted by Roosevelt.

New York, June 26.—James R. Garfield appeared as a witness to-day in the government's suit to dissolve the United States Steel Corporation, and testified that the investigation of the corporation's affairs conducted by him when he was Commissioner of Corporations under the Roosevelt administration, failed to reveal that the Steel Corporation ever had violated the Sherman antitrust law.

In testifying for the first time on matters concerning the Steel Corporation, Mr. Garfield said that he had advised the plan of the Steel Corporation, and Iron deal, which had been suggested by Judge Gary and Henry C. Frick as a means of stopping the panic of 1907. The witness said that subsequent to his advice President Roosevelt gave his approval to the acquiring of the Tennessee Company by the Steel Corporation.

The witness said: "I began my investigation of the Steel Corporation in the latter part of 1907. That was a preliminary work, and the specific inquiry began later about 1908, I think."

"I reported to Roosevelt. The Steel Corporation never put any obstacle in my way and furnished every bit of information we wanted," said Mr. Garfield.

"Did you ever make a report to President Roosevelt of the result of your investigation of the Steel Corporation compared to your investigation of any other corporation?" asked Richard V. Lindbergh, chief counsel for the defense.

"Yes," said Mr. Garfield. "My report to the President said that I never found in the Steel Corporation any unfair methods of competition, and in the case of the Standard Oil Company, Mr. Lindbergh wanted to know about Garfield's knowledge of the Tennessee Coal and Iron deal."

"President Roosevelt asked me if I knew of any reason why he should not take action he finally did, and I told him I did not. The President asked me if the bureau had discovered any point in its investigation of the Steel Corporation which might bring about a report to the Department of Justice for prosecution, and I told him there was no such point."

On cross-examination by Judge Dickinson, Mr. Garfield said that during his inquiry he never examined a witness under oath although he had the legal right that he had never examined the minutes of the corporation or any witness outside of the corporation.

"I was sent on to explain that the investigation was along the same line as that made of the Standard Oil Company, where he did not rebating. But in this case no rebating was found in the Steel Corporation," he reiterated.

Help for Defense.
George Gordon Crawford, who became president of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company after the Steel Corporation was acquired by the United States Steel Corporation, helped the defense considerably when he declared that a part of the rails purchased by the Harriman system from the Tennessee company in 1907 were found defective and were returned to the seller. The government position in this case was in part concerning the Tennessee deal.

"In 1907 a sensation was created in the steel rail market by E. H. Harriman, who controlled a large railroad mileage, ordering from the Tennessee company 157,500 tons of open hearth steel rails, at \$1 more per ton than the price of Bessemer rails. This at once put that company into a position of an actual competitor of the corporation of a possible competitor that could not be ignored, or great potentiality."

Mr. Crawford's testimony, accordingly, tended to show that the Tennessee company had been very much of a competitor of the steel corporation when a portion of its first big order was refused as defective. Indirectly, the evidence also tended to substantiate the contention of the Steel Corporation that the Tennessee company was taken over to save Moore and Schley, and thus stave off a more disastrous panic in 1907, and rebuffed the government allegation that the corporation took advantage of the panic to acquire a dangerous competitor.

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BITTER ATTACK MADE ON WILSON AND McREYNOLDS

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(Secretary Wilson.) He said, "Telephones to the Attorney-General's office, and the Attorney-General says that without stopping to go through the files and to refresh my recollection concerning any particular circumstances of the case, I sent the following telegram to the district attorney, ordering him to postpone the case."

"What sort of a Department of Justice is it? What kind of an Attorney-General is it? Mr. Mann asked. 'No doubt the Attorney-General is a great lawyer and a great man. But the Democratic administration is inclined to proceed upon the theory that when a Cabinet officer telephones the Attorney-General or when some wealthy defendant, as happened in the Western Fuel case, walks into the office of the Attorney-General and asks to have a case postponed, it is done, there will not be many Democratic administrations in the next hundred years.'

Temporary Appointment.
San Francisco, June 26.—To meet the emergency caused by the acceptance of United States Attorney McNab's resignation without appointing a successor, United States District Judge Van Fleet this afternoon made a temporary appointment designating Benjamin McKinley as acting United States attorney to serve until a successor to McNab shall have been appointed by President Wilson. McKinley has been an assistant United States attorney for more than twelve years, and under McNab has had charge of prosecutions of criminal cases.

The appointment was made in order that the reports ordered by the judge might be made and the court proceedings requiring the action of the United States attorney attended to.

John L. McNab visited the office which until yesterday he occupied in the capacity of United States attorney to gather up his personal possessions and put the various powers in order for his successor.

"So far as I am concerned," he said, "the incident is closed. I've done what I felt I had to do, as a matter of principle, and I'm out of office. That's all there is to it. I'm sorry the people back there are trying to make it a political matter."

McNab has opened offices and will resume his private law practice.

Honey Not Selected.
Washington, June 26.—Thomas J. Hayden, and J. M. Sullivan were chosen by the administration late today to prosecute the Cammetti-Diggs and Western Fuel Company cases. Francis J. Heney, whose name has been mentioned in this connection, was not selected as one of the prosecutors.

THOMAS NELSON PAGE DROPS AUTHORSHIP

He Will Do No Literary Work While Serving as Ambassador.

ALL ENERGY TO HIS DUTIES

Discusses Men of Letters in Service of This and Other Countries.

Washington, June 26.—Dr. Thomas Nelson Page, the new ambassador to Italy, has decided to abandon his work as a novelist, historian and essayist during his representation of the United States at the court of Rome. This was brought out during the course of an interview to-day with the author by a newspaper man, who sought Dr. Page's views on the general subject of men of letters in the American diplomatic service.

In past years literary men the world over have frequently sought appointment to diplomatic service for the sake of the leisure and opportunity to write given by such appointments. As ambassador to Italy, Dr. Page does not look forward to such leisure. He expressed it to-day to his interviewer.

"The responsibility connected with the position comes to the front, and although I appreciate as much as any one in the world the great honor of such a position, the position itself, feeling with me is one of seriousness in the face of the duties I have assumed."

Dr. Page was found in the study he is temporarily occupying at H Street near the Metropolitan Club, which he is making his headquarters since his house on New Hampshire Avenue has been closed. A Washingtonian for a long time, he is regretfully saying good-by to the city and the people with which he is so closely identified.

To-day he was occupied with a stack of letters a foot thick, one such stack coming to him and his secretary every day now. He said that he regarded himself as having been placed in a letter-writing harness a little before he had been appointed to the post, but he added, "I went into it with my eyes open."

"There is no reason," Dr. Page said, "why literary men should not prove reasonably good ambassadors and ministers, notwithstanding the fact that they often devote much time to writing, as frequently they have had a fair training in business or law, and are not likely to be selected as ambassadors or ministers unless they have shown some capacity which would appear to justify their selection."

In fact, literary men have certainly, among the people of the two continents, been honored in this way. Diplomatic history, both in England and America, is full of instances of literary men having been sent on diplomatic service and the same is true of Italy. In our own country, to mention the earlier and most distinguished instances, there were Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, the Adamses and John Marshall, all men of letters, as well as statesmen. Then, after a long interval, came others, also men of great distinction, for example, Luther, May, Bancroft, John Hay, Mr. Howells, Bret Harte and any number of others, some of them, however, having names that are better known in letters to-day perhaps than in the world of diplomacy.

Writing of "Home, Sweet Home."
"I think it was when John Howard Payne was consul at Tunis that he wrote the drama in which appeared the little song that is better known to-day, perhaps, than any other song in the world—'Home, Sweet Home.'"

In Italy the diplomatic list of men of letters is a long and shining one. The drama in which appeared the little song that is better known to-day, perhaps, than any other song in the world—'Home, Sweet Home.'"

Dr. Page was asked specifically about himself, and his knowledge of and liking for Rome. He said he preferred not to mention himself "on the same day I have mentioned these other names."

"It is you," he said to his interviewer, "who have put me or wish to put me in the 'men-of-letters-class,' I am speaking historically and philosophically."

No one may be said to know Rome well, he declared. "I have been there a number of times, and have always done what I could to learn something of it. I have spent a number of weeks at a time there in the summers, and I spent one winter in Rome and Italy a few years ago. Of course, Rome belongs to the whole world, and is one

of the two or three cities in the world to which every one may go and feel in it a personal possessory interest."

Page reads Italian, and every morning reads the papers at the Italian consulate, acquiring the language. Colloquial Italian, he thinks, is easy enough to acquire, but he declares that it is difficult to speak the Italian language with ease and grace.

Not to Write While Abroad.
He was asked about the possibility of his writing a book on Italy, or with the consent of one laid there, during the three or four years he is to remain in that country.

"I feel pretty well satisfied," he answered, "that a residence in Italy, under such conditions as will surround me, will add to any man's experience, and deepen his appreciation of what is fundamental in literature, because Italy is a land of romance."

While I am there, however, I expect to give all my attention and apply every energy I possess to the proper uses of the embassy, as I want to try as far as I can to justify the confidence the President has reposed in me, as well as that of my country."

"I do not expect to write while ambassador to Italy. I have three books now substantially ready to be published on the subject of essays, already in the hands of the publishers. Another is a long story, almost a novel, in which I have for the first time tried my hand at a mystery plot. It is with-in a few chapters of being ready for publication. The other is a history of Washington which I have been at for a couple of years, on which the chief labor is all made. I shall be able to do so, however, laid them entirely aside and do not expect to do anything with them for the present."

Dr. Page was asked about the diplomatic post at Lisbon, and the report, made public yesterday, that the novelist Meredith Nicholson had declined it. Dr. Page said he did not know the latter's opinion, but he declared that he was a devotee of residence. The report was news to him, and he did not think he ought to comment on a declaration of a diplomatic post by another man.

"Charles Page Bryan, my kinsman, and a man of letters," he said, however, "was minister to Lisbon, and he found the climate splendid, and Lisbon a wonderful, beautiful city, as I did when I visited there. He is a devotee of literature with that city to me is that Henry Fielding died and was buried there when sent south against his will to try and recover his health. The fact that Mr. Bryan has only thirty-seven at the time."

State Department Conferences.

Dr. Page, so far as his approaching departure for Rome is concerned, is in the hands of the Department of State. He has not yet been informed as to when the department thinks he should leave for his post.

"I have not yet done enough," he declared, "to ask for a holiday from the conference I am having at the department."

Dr. Page's attention was called to the fact that President Wilson had appointed a number of newspaper men to diplomatic positions, among them Major E. C. Hale, editor of the Fayetteville (N. C.) Observer, as minister to Costa Rica, William E. Connor, editor of the Wilmington (Del.) State, as minister to Cuba, and Colonel P. C. A. Stovall, editor of the Savannah Press, as minister to Switzerland.

What I have said about novelists, historians and other literary men," he said, "applies with equal force to newspaper men. They are usually of good sound training, familiar with the world through contact with men, and have the literary instinct and training which ought to make them successful diplomats. They are not dilettantes."

Dr. Page is himself said to be one of the best men for a diplomatic post ever sent abroad by the United States. He practiced law for eight years after graduating at the University of Virginia, and supported his family by it, and has always kept his hand in the legal profession, and retained his legal knowledge, although he is best known as an author.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS NEW HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Alexandria, Va., June 26.—The joint committee on finance and schools, at a meeting held last night, recommended to the city council the erection of a new public high school building. The question of financing the building was also the matter of considerable discussion. Funds for its erection, together with the erection of a new house for the Heller Hotel and Ladder Company, will be obtained from the increased license tax, by the establishment of a sinking fund of \$50,000 derived therefrom.

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Virginia and North Carolina—cloudy and somewhat warmer Friday; Saturday fair and warm.

Special Local Data for Yesterday.

1st record temperature	80
3 P. M. temperature	80
Maximum temperature up to 8	81
Minimum temperature up to 8	87
Mean temperature	86
Normal temperature	78
Excess in temperature	78
Excess in temperature since March	110
Accumulated excess in temperature since January	352
Excess in rainfall since March	1.43
Accumulated deficiency in rainfall since January	1.65

Local Observations 8 P. M. Yesterday.

Temperature	78
Humidity	82
Wind—direction	W. 4
Wind—velocity	4
Weather	Cloudy

CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.

Place	Ther.	H. T.	W. C.
Ashville	80	70	P. cloudy
Asheville	80	70	P. cloudy
Boston	64	72	P. clear
Boston	64	72	P. clear
Calgary	70	76	P. cloudy
Calgary	70	76	P. cloudy
Charleston	80	88	P. clear
Charleston	80	88	P. clear
Chicago	88	90	P. clear
Chicago	88	90	P. clear
Duluth	74	80	P. cloudy
Duluth	74	80	P. cloudy
Galveston	78	86	P. rain
Galveston	78	86	P. rain
Hartford	84	84	P. clear
Hartford	84	84	P. clear
Have	68	70	P. cloudy
Have	68	70	P. cloudy
Jacksonville	80	88	P. clear
Jacksonville	80	88	P. clear
Kansas City	90	94	P. clear
Kansas City	90	94	P. clear
Montgomery	90	94	P. clear
Montgomery	90	94	P. clear
New Orleans	84	74	P. cloudy
New Orleans	84	74	P. cloudy
Norfolk	72	82	P. cloudy
Norfolk	72	82	P. cloudy
Pittsburgh	86	90	P. clear
Pittsburgh	86	90	P. clear
Raleigh	72	82	P. rain
Raleigh	72	82	P. rain
St. Louis	90	92	P. clear
St. Louis	90	92	P. clear
St. Paul	84	84	P. clear
St. Paul	84	84	P. clear
Savannah	78	88	P. clear
Savannah	78	88	P. clear
Spokane	78	88	P. clear
Spokane	78	88	P. clear
Tampa	78	88	P. cloudy
Tampa	78	88	P. cloudy
Washington	78	82	P. cloudy
Washington	78	82	P. cloudy
Winnipeg	78	88	P. cloudy
Winnipeg	78	88	P. cloudy
Wytheville	74	88	P. cloudy
Wytheville	74	88	P. cloudy

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

June 27, 1913.

High Tide: Morning 9:27

Low Tide: Evening 10:12

Sun rises 4:52

Sun sets 7:34

BILL IS LAUNCHED ON TROUBLED SEAS OF LEGISLATION

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tary of State, and the President himself, have taken occasion to commend this proposition, and announce that it is the policy of the administration to push it to a passage, so they have done all they can do, it seems to me, to make an administration or a partisan measure of it."

Washington Marriage Licenses.

Washington, June 26.—Marriage licenses have been issued to the following: John H. Glenn and Juanita E. Hudson, both of Richmond; Fred E. Mountcastle and Frances C. Cover, both of Newport News, Va.; Marcella Elgin, of James City, Va., and Edward W. Parks of Lynchburg, Va.; and Beulah I. Bryant of the Island, Va., and Lawrence E. Williams and Nannie McCraig, both of Vienna, Va.

Johnson—Royal.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Lynchburg, Va., June 26.—Yesterday evening at the home of Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Royal, in Richmond, their daughter, Miss May Selwyn, was married to Homer Field Johnson, of this city. The marriage was performed by the bride's father, who was assisted by Rev. C. E. Starns, pastor of Richmond Avenue Baptist Church. George Johnson, a brother of the groom, was best man, and Miss Bertha Royal, a sister of the bride, was the maid of honor. After a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson will reside in Lynchburg.

MACKAY AFFAIRS STIRRING SOCIETY

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has caused considerable talk in society, and the appearance of Mrs. Mackay, with her husband, has added to the acute interest in the Mackay affairs.

The fact that Mrs. Mackay visited her husband at the Mackay cottage at Spring Lake last Friday increased the wonder as to the exact relations of the Mackays to the case. Mrs. Mackay did not join her husband in going abroad, but has been accepted by their intimates as significant.

LAD ENDS LIFE BY SHOOTING.

Son of Deputy Sheriff Walls, of Wake, Commits Suicide.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Raleigh, N. C., June 26.—This morning at Apex, this county, the lifeless body of Dorsey Walls, the eighteen-year-old son of Deputy Sheriff T. H. Walls, was found near the freight depot where it lay since about midnight. It is believed to have been a case of suicide, a revolver that he borrowed from the depot agent on the plea that he was going into the country to shoot some wild geese, having been found.

The lad is said to have been depressed and very much troubled for several weeks past, but his friends insist that there was nothing serious, and the troubles were mostly imaginary.

Coleman—Seymour.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Cascadia, Va., June 26.—A marriage of great interest was solemnized in the Presbyterian Church here on Wednesday last when Miss Ella Seymour became the bride of William Tredway Coleman. The church had been elaborately decorated, the white altar being a bower of graceful green ferns and foliage and white flowers with the marriage bell suspended with garlands of vines. A musical program, with Miss Clara Gaines at the organ to accompany the violin selections by M. F. O'Neill, was a delightful feature.

The brides were Misses Sam Boyd, Robert Fontaine and Richard Seymour. The ring-bearer was Miss Hazel Elliott, who carried the ring in a basket of daisies. The bride entered with her sister, Miss Bertha Seymour, as maid of honor. The groom was attended by Dr. M. R. Brewster as best man.

Arrested for Hold-Up.

Cleveland Farmer, who is alleged to have been on a hold-up of a Holland of a watch valued at \$25 and a stick-pin at \$10 last Wednesday night at Fifth and Hull streets, was captured by Officer W. E. Waymack yesterday afternoon.

Holland was found in an intoxicated condition by Officers Baughman and Tinsley and told the policemen he had been waylaid and robbed. They at first gave little credence to the story.

Garber Will Break Rocks.

For some time to come, Leslie Garber, who was sentenced to an indefinite term on a hold-up of a road yesterday morning by Justice Maurice, will subdue his inebriating proclivities in the gentle pastime of cracking rocks. Garber's too frequent imbibings and subsequent falls from grace have made him the joke of police court.

"Garber," said the judge yesterday, "I thought you told me last Monday when I let you off that you would relieve this court of further annoyance by taking your unwelcome presence to California or some other place."

"I was ready to go on 'de next freight, your honor," replied the offender, "but I's had to have one more drink."

"I'll settle you," was the court's answer, "you are banished indefinitely to the roads."

Elks to Have Crab Feast To-Night.

Another contest of the title of champion crab exterminator of the Southside will be staged to-night, at Elks' Home. The annual crab feast is one of the most enjoyable occasions of the year, and eagerly looked forward to. This year a program which will contain several surprises has been arranged. It will be sandwiched between the attacks on the crab food. The musical end of the entertainment will be in the hands of Professor Ritchie Bacon.

Struck by Stray Bullet.

While walking along Perry Street, between Twelfth and Thirteenth, R. S. Wood, of 1216 Perry Street, was struck by a stray bullet last night, but escaped with a slight injury to his head. Dr. S. J. Baker treated him and he is reported to be improving. The Southside police are on the lookout for the person who fired the gun, which is a serious offense.

Deeds Recorded.

Deeds of bargain and sale were recorded as follows in Hustings Court, Part II, yesterday: Washington Terrace Corporation to

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NEWS OF SOUTH RICHMOND

NEGRO BARGEMAN DROWNS

Boat Capsizes at Lower End of Mayo Island and Sinks With Crew.

Capsize suddenly when several men jumped in a heavily loaded sand barge sunk with all hands on board yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock in the James River, at the south end of Mayo Island. Emmett Brown, colored, a member of the loading gang, was washed under the unseaworthy craft, and before his companions could render aid, was drowned. His body was recovered later.

The boat was used by I. J. Smith & Company in hauling sand to the new Mayo Bridge. It had been loaded and was being towed up the river when several negroes jumped aboard. The end dipped under the water, and with the combined weight of the shifting sand and moving passengers, went down. Brown was on the lower end of the craft, and was probably caught beneath the sand and rendered powerless to swim. The other men reached shore a few yards off, without difficulty.

The body was taken to Biley's undertaking establishment, where it was held until it could be taken to the home of the deceased. Death was pronounced to be from drowning, and an inquest deemed unnecessary. No blame was attached to the contractors.

SOUTHSIDE HAS JUSTICE

L. B. Franklin Wins Office by Recount of Madison Ward Votes.

In spite of the result of the primary of June 12, South Richmond will have a justice of the peace, Squire Lloyd B. Franklin having won by the recount of votes made last night by the City Democratic Committee. Mr. Franklin was defeated in the primary by ten votes, and on hearing that the recount of the votes would work a hardship, and petitions were presented to Judge Ernest H. Wells, of Hustings Court, Part II, asking that he create at least one more office, which was empowered to do under the statutes of the city, and the existing condition it is hardly possible that Judge Wells will take any action, at least until it is seen how the justice can get along with the one justice.

Death of Former Fireman.

Clifford C. Elder, of 511 Decatur Street, a former member of Engine Company No. 12, died yesterday afternoon at 3:15 o'clock in his home. Besides his wife and one child, he is survived by two brothers, R. F. and W. Blankenship. Funeral services will be held at 11 o'clock this morning in the home.

Funeral of Mrs. Roberts.

Funeral services of Mrs. Annie Baxter Roberts, seventy-two years old, who died yesterday morning, will be held at the home of her son, A. N. Roberts, 123 East Tenth Street, this afternoon at 1 o'clock. The Rev. Wesley Baker will officiate. Mrs. Roberts was the widow of Captain Roberts, a Civil War veteran.

To Elect Officers.

Washington Camp, No. 32, Patriotic Sons of America, will meet to-night to elect officers for a term of six months. Maple Camp, Woodmen of the World, will hold its regular meeting next Monday night in Fraternal Hall. Officers will be elected and several candidates are scheduled for initiation.

Personal Mention.

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